

Section 223(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act
(8 U.S.C. 1203(b)) is amended by changing the period at the end of
the first sentence to a colon and inserting the following:

Provided further, That the Attorney General may
in his discretion extend, for such period or periods as he
shall deem appropriate, the validity of the permit of (1) a
spouse or child of a member of the armed services of the
United States stationed abroad pursuant to official orders or
(2) an officer or employee of the United States Government
assigned abroad and the spouse and children of such officer
or employee following or accompanying him.

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It would seem appropriate for the United States Government to have the authority to extend Permits to Reenter the United States for its own alien employees who are giving of their time and effort overseas for the benefit of the United States. A savings in time and money would also be possible because the aliens and their families would not be required to return to the United States every two years to renew their permits as is now the case. Since many alien employees of the United States Government are stateless persons, they have no passports and thus depend on valid Reentry Permits to travel on United States Government business.